**Statement-II**

Central public sector undertakings amongst those mentioned in Annexure I, running into losses, for the past five years ending with 1986-87.

| Sl.No. | Name of enterprise |
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| 1. | Bharat Process and Mechanical Engg. |
| 2. | NTC(UP) Ltd. |
| 3. | Scooters India Ltd. |
| 4. | NTC (Guj). Ltd. |
| 5. | Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. |
| 6. | National Bicycle Corporation Ltd. |
| 7. | Mandya National Paper Mills Ltd. |

**CBI investigation into payment of commission in Bofors contract**

1230. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether 'The Hindu' of Madras has published some documents confirming the existence of middlemen and payment of commission to them in the Bofors howitzer deal;

(b) whether the Central Bureau of Investigation has advised the Government to seek the assistance of Swedish and Swiss authorities to find out violation of Indian laws by the Bofors against; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) to (c) The Government has seen the material published in The Hindu purporting to relate to agreements concluded by M/s Bofors with certain foreign and Indian firms and alleged payments by them to these firms. Necessary investigations have already been ordered by the Government. The course of investigations shall be determined by the agencies concerned and further action shall be based on the results thereof.

**National Cadet Corps Scheme**

1231. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to make the National Cadet Corps (NCC) Schemes more attractive for the students, effective in implementation and more useful for the nation; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) and (b) The N.C.C. Scheme is constantly under review to make it more effective and attractive. Government had appointed an Evaluation Committee to review the working of the N.C.C. and suggest suitable measures for improvement. The Committee has since submitted its report, which is under consideration.

12.00 NOON

**PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE**

**Post Office (Monthly Income Account) (Amendment) Rules, 1988**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): Sir,

I beg to lay on the Table, under section 15 of the Government Savings Bank Act, 1873, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Economic Affairs) Notification G.S.R. No. 805 (E), dated the 21st July, 1988, publishing the Post Office (Monthly Income Account) (Amendment) Rules, 1988. [Placed in Library. See No. LT- 6356/88]

**Narmada Water (Amendment) Scheme, 1988**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): on behalf of SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (7) of Section 6A of the Inter-State Water Disputes (Amendment) Act, 1980, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Water Resources, Notification S.O. No. 467(E), dated the 4th May, 1988, publishing the Narmada Water (Amendment) Scheme, 1988. [Placed in Library. See No. LT—6294|88].

I. **All India Services (Death-cum-Retirement benefits) second Amendment Rules, 1988.**

II **Indian Police Service (Pay) Fifth Amendment Rules, 1988.**

III. **Indian Police Service (Fixation of Cadre Strength) Fifth Amendment Regulations, 1988.**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (2) of section 3 of the All India Services Act, 1951, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions (Department of Training):—

(i) G.S.R. No. 567, dated the 16th July, 1988, publishing the All India Services (Death-*cum*-Retirement Benefits) Second Amendment Rules, 1988.

(ii) G.S.R. No. 586, dated the 23rd July, 1988, publishing the Indian Police Service (Pay) Fifth Amendment Rules, 1988.

(iii) G.S.R. No. 589, dated the 23rd July, 1988, publishing the Indian Police Service (Fixation of Cadre Strength) Fifth Amendment Regulations, 1988.

[Placed in Library. See No. LT—6339/88 for (i) to (iii)]

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[**The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair]

**SHORT DURATION DISCUSSION**

**I. Recent disclosures in the Press regarding the Bofors deal—Contd.**

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI K. C. PANT): Madam Deputy Chairman, I am grateful to the hon. Members who have participated in this debate. In particular, I would like to thank Shri P. Shiv Shanker, my colleague, who has taken part in the debate and has clarified many points which have been raised. I would also like to thank Shri Bekal Utsahi for breaking the monotony of the proceedings by giving us a speech in verse. It is seldom that anybody ventures to speak in the House in verse, particularly on a subject like this; to have the courage to speak in poetry, is all to his credit. Madam, towards the end of the debate, I could sense a feeling of tiredness among friends opposite, those few of them who were left here. (*Interruption*). Mr. Upendra was conspicuous by his absence during most of the debate through which I sat. So, it seems as though they are going through a motion. They are going through the motion; I have no objection to that. I merely pointed out that many of them were not in the House yesterday. But I do not blame them partly because we have debated this matter earlier in the House and I remember, that